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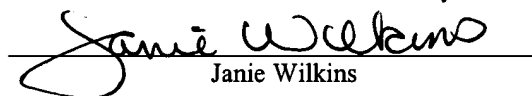
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**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME**

Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1.136(a), Applicant petitions the Commissioner for Patents for a three-month extension of time, through and including February 7, 2004, to respond to the Non-Final Office Action mailed on August 7, 2003. Enclosed is a check in the amount of \$950.00 for the fee pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1.17 for a large entity in compliance with 37 C.F.R. 1.27. The Commissioner is authorized to charge any additional fee relating to this filing to Deposit Account No. 11-0855.

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